

2017 Orrville Independence Day Parade

Tuesday, July 4, 2017

4:00 P.M.

The Orrville Firefighters Association would like to extend an invitation to you and your organization to participate in the 34th Annual Orrville Firefighters Association Independence Day Parade.

Orrville's week long Independence Day celebration will begin on **Tuesday, July 4th** with the annual parade and will end on **Saturday evening July 8th**, with the fireworks display.

Listed below are the details regarding participation in the 2017 Parade. ***Please read these details carefully as we continue to implement changes to the operation of the parade.***

- ONLY Pre-Registered Parade Entries will be permitted in the Parade! If you do not pre-register and show up the night of the Parade, you will be turned away. The registration **DEADLINE** for all parade entries is ***FRIDAY, JUNE 30, 2017.***
- You must file an application to participate in the parade. Parade applications can be downloaded at www.orrville.com or www.orrvillefireinthesky.com. Printed parade applications can also be picked up at Orrville City Hall or the Orrville Area Chamber of Commerce Office.
 - Completed parade applications can be returned via mail to: Orrville Firefighters Association, P.O. Box 144, Orrville, OH 44667, along with the application fee. If no application fee is required the completed application form can be faxed to (330)682-5023, (330)684-5052 – or – emailed to: rballentine@orrville.com.
- **Parade Registration Fees**
 - If you are an event sponsor, purchased an Event Ad, or are a Non-Profit Organization (501c3, Veterans Group, Church Group, Civic Group, etc.) there is ***NO FEE.***
 - If you are a commercial or political entry, there is a registration charge of \$25.00 per entry. All registration fees are non-refundable - Please make checks payable to the Orrville Firefighters Association.
 - All pre-registered entries will receive confirmation via e-mail acknowledging your application receipt, provided an e-mail address is provided.

- The 2017 Parade will go weather permitting...there will be NO rain date. If severe or dangerous weather is present on the date of the parade, the parade may be canceled. All registration fees are non-refundable.
- Parade line-up will begin at 2:00 P.M. on North Ella Street. All parade entries must enter the parade line-up area at the intersection of North Elm Street and Mineral Spring Street. Ella Street will be closed at High Street, and Mineral Spring Street will be closed at Ella. NO traffic will be permitted beyond these road closures! O.F.F.A. members will be present in the area to assist you to your location in the line-up.
- ***DO NOT place parade entries on the streets in the line-up area prior to 2:00 P.M. unless prior arrangements have been made with the O.F.F.A. Parade Committee. If you arrive prior to 2:00 P.M. and park in the street you will be required to move! Parade entries must be attended at all times after entering the parade line up area.***
- Parade participants not arriving with their parade entry can be dropped off at the intersection of Mineral Springs Street and Ella Street in the area of the Orrville Elementary School. To drop participants off arrive via Mineral Spring Street from the east! Drop off participants and immediately exit the area via Ella Street to Congress Street. Ella Street and Congress Street will allow only one-way traffic to the north. Congress Street will be closed to south bound traffic at Hostetler Road. There will be no parking in this area for vehicles not participating in the parade. There will be heavy traffic in this area on Parade night. Children need to be accompanied by an adult!
- All parade participants must be in position by 3:45 P.M. as the parade will start promptly at 4:00 P.M.!

For up-to-date information regarding the parade, carnival, softball tournament, and fireworks show, check out the Orrville Firefighters Association Facebook page!

Without your continued support, the Orrville Firefighters Association would not be able to provide the Orrville Independence Day Parade, Carnival, Softball Tournament, and Fireworks. Please consider mailing a donation to:

The Orrville Firefighters Association
P.O. Box 144
Orrville, Ohio 44667

If you would be interested in participating as an "EVENT SPONSOR" please contact us utilizing one of the methods shown on page one.

Thank You for your support of this event,

The Orrville Firefighters Association

ORRVILLE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION
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Please complete the entire form and mail to "O.F.F.A, P.O. Box 144, Orrville, Ohio 44667" with applicable fee.

ENTRY DEADLINE: All parade entries must be received before 5:00 p.m. on June 30, 2017.

Name of Group,
Entry or Individual:

Address:

City/State:

Zip:

Contact Person:

Telephone:

E-Mail:

How many vehicles will be in your entry _____ (Please note there is a two (2) vehicle limit per parade entry without prior authorization)

Type of Unit:

Marching Unit

_____ Band

_____ Twirler

_____ Drill Team

_____ Political

_____ Adult Marching Unit

_____ Junior/Juvenile Marching Unit

Float (any entry pulling a decorated trailer)

_____ Merchant / Commercial Float

_____ Non-Profit Float

_____ Political Float

_____ Other Float

Driving Unit

_____ Classic Car / Truck

_____ Merchant / Commercial

_____ Non-Profit

_____ Political

_____ Other

Animal Entry

_____ Horse

_____ Other

_____ Will Provide clean-up of manure (please note if you are not providing manure clean-up you will be positioned at the of the parade)

DO NOT THROW CANDY OR OTHER ITEMS FROM YOUR PARADE ENTRY! Candy or other promotional items must be distributed by WALKERS ONLY – as close to the street curb as possible to prevent young children from coming close to the moving vehicles.

All motor vehicles must be safe operational condition and must be operated in a safe manner at all times. No "Burn-Outs, Wheelies, Stoppies" or other unsafe driving acts are permitted. Failure to follow this rule will result in removal from the parade and appropriate action by law enforcement.

No unit should fail to keep pace with the unit ahead of them and shall not stop to perform, converse with the spectators, or for any other reason. These stops cause large gaps in the parade which is the top complaint of viewers. Those who violate this rule may be asked not to return.

These rules are necessary for the safety of spectators, especially the small children along the parade route. Your cooperation is required and appreciated.

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

The entrant(s) hereby agrees and indemnifies to hold harmless, the Orrville Firefighters Association, an Ohio Non-Profit Organization, the Orrville Fire Department, and the City of Orrville for any loss occasioned to others as a result of negligence of a purposeful act by the entrant(s) or any of its members.

Signature of entrant or responsible party

ALL ENTRY FORMS MUST BE SIGNED. Please complete the entire form and mail to "O.F.F.A, P.O. Box 144, Orrville, Ohio 44667" with applicable fee (\$25.00).

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